

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A conference call system comprising:

a conference bridge configured to conference together communications between conference participants into a conference call; and

a conference monitor configured to allow a host to dynamically create a web page to provide an indication of ones of said conference participants who have joined said conference call.

2. The conference call system according to claim 1 further comprising a web server configured to host said web page for access by one or more of said conference participants.

3. The conference call system according to claim 1 wherein said conference bridge is further configured to identify said participants who have joined said conference call to said conference monitor whereby said indication of ones of said participants who have joined said conference call is dynamically updated.

4. The conference call system according to claim 3 wherein said conference bridge is responsive to Automatic Number Identification information to identify participants who have joined said conference call.

5. The conference call system according to claim 1 wherein said conference call monitor is configured to monitor said conference call and identify participants who have joined said conference call.

6. The conference call system according to claim 5 wherein said conference call monitor includes a speech recognition processor configured to detect spoken identification information of said conference participants.

7. The conference call system according to claim 1 further comprising a conference call scheduler configured to reserve said conference bridge, advise said conference participants of details for accessing said conference bridge, and identify to said conference monitor identities of said conference participants.

8. The conference call system according to claim 1 wherein said conference bridge includes a plurality of ports configured to communicate with respective ones of said conference participants.

9. The conference call system according to claim 1 further comprising an electronic messaging system configured to generate messages to said conference participants including a uniform resource locator address of said web page.

10. The conference call system according to claim 1 further including an interface to a common channel signaling system configured to receive identifying information of said participants who have joined said conference call.

11. The conference call system according to claim 1 wherein said conference monitor includes an operator interface configured to receive designations of said participants who have joined said conference call.

12. The conference call system according to claim 1 further comprising a database of images corresponding to each of said conference participants, said conference monitor configured associate said images with said conference participants for incorporation by said web server into said web page.

13. The conference call system according to claim 1 wherein said conference bridge is further configured to perform voice recognition based identification of a speaker.

14. The conference call system according to claim 1 further comprising a calendaring program configured to setup a conference call.

15. The conference call system according to claim 15 wherein said calendaring program is further configured to initiate said conference bridge.

16. The conference call system according to claim 1 further comprising a messaging program in communication with said conference monitor and configured to a reminder message to an absent invitee.

17. A method of conducting a conference call comprising the steps of:
conferring together communications between conference participants to form a
conference call;
creating a web page to provide said indication of ones of said participants who have
joined said conference call; and
updating said web page as additional ones of said participants join said conference call.

18. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further
comprising a step of hosting said web page for access by one or more of said participants.

19. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further
comprising a step of decoding Automatic Number Identification information and, in response,
identifying said participants who have joined said conference call.

20. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further
comprising a step of monitoring said conference call and, in response, identifying said
participants who have joined said conference call.

21. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 20 wherein said
step of monitoring includes a step of recognizing speech so as to detect spoken identification
information of said conference participants.

22. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further
comprising the steps of reserving said conference bridge, advising said conference participants of
details for accessing said conference bridge, and identifying identities of said conference
participants.

23. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 wherein said
conference bridge includes a plurality of ports configured to communicate with respective ones
of said conference participants.

24. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further comprising the steps of an electronic messaging system configured to generate messages to said conference participants, said messages including a uniform resource locator address of said web page.

25. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further including an interface to a common channel signaling system configured to receive identifying information of said participants who have joined said conference call.

26. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 wherein said conference monitor includes an operator interface configured to receive designations of said participants who have joined said conference call.

27. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further comprising a step of performing voice recognition based identification of one of said conference participants.

28. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further comprising the steps of calendaring said conference call and, in response, automatically setting up said conference call.

29. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 29 wherein said step of setting up said conference call includes initiating a conference bridge.

30. The method of conducting a conference call according to claim 17 further comprising the steps of identifying an absent invitee from said conference call and, in response, sending a reminder message to said absent invitee.